# East Hampton Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency Regular Meeting June 29, 2011 Town Hall Meeting Room

# Town Hall Meeting Room Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order: Chairman Foran called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Present</u>: Chairman Jeffry Foran, Dean Kavalkovich, Josh Wilson, David Boule, Maureen Heidtmann and Marc Lorah

**Absent:** Peter Wall and Scott Hill

- 2. Seating of Alternates: Maureen Heidtmann was seated
- 3. Approval of Minutes:
  - A. May 25, 2011 Meeting; Mr. Lorah moved, and Mr. Kavalkovich seconded to approve the meeting minutes of May 25, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Communication, Enforcement, and Public Comment:

Communications: Connecticut Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands renewal was received.

Enforcement: None

Public Comments: None

5. New Business: None

#### 6. Agent Approval:

A. Town of East Hampton Park & Recreation, improvements to the Air Line State Park Trail in the vicinity of Watrous Street and Main Street. M02A/B48A/L30

Mr. Hayden reported on this application. The town received money to extend the Airline Trail into the Village Center. The work which is currently pending involves making a stone dust path on the existing railroad and re-decking the bridge with a new deck and rail system.

Branden Hanfield from Anchor Engineering provided the agency with a preliminary plan of the trail and the bridge.

Mr. Hayden stated his reason behind the administrative approval is that the work is on slopes; therefore any disturbance will drain away from the creek.

Mr. Kavalkovich expressed his concern with this being approved by an agent approval with there being a fundamental conflict of interested to sit in judgment of an application submitted by the employer.

Mr. Hayden stated that Park and Recreation is the applicant on this and it is a State Park Trail that is being funded by the State.

There was further discussion on the possibility of appointing a 2<sup>nd</sup> Duly Authorized Agent for applications that are Town Projects.

Mr. Wilson moved and Mr. Loran seconded to agree with this application to be reviewed and approved accordingly by the duly authorized agent baring no significant changes in the plans. Motion carried 5-1-0. Dean Kavalkovich was opposed.

7. Reading of the Legal Notice: Mr. Hayden read the legal notice for the record.

#### 8. New Application:

## A. Application on Theater Square 11 North Main Street, for drainage extension M01A/L28A/B39A

Brian Long, CLA Engineers explained the proposal is for an extension of an existing culvert that was put in to accommodate the flows from the development up above the area. A discussion of what the end result of this pipe being installed will provide was discussed.

Mr. Foran moved and Mr. Wilson seconded to accept this application. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Foran moved and Mr. Wilson seconded to deem this application significant activity given the direct impacts to wetlands and the extensive impact to the upland review. A public hearing will be scheduled for July 27, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

\*\*Note- as of this typing, the meeting has been changed to August 3, 2011 at 5:30pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room\*\*

#### 9. Continued Applications: None

#### 10. Public Hearing:

A. Application of Hope Church, East High Street, filling, excavating, and activity in a buffer/setback area to construct a Church. M32/B86/L8.

Attorney Jesik asked Mr. Semprabon to present the plan to the IWWA. Mr. Semprabon, PE with Design Professionals provided the agency with a description of the proposed application. The site itself is located on the South/West side of Rt 66, approximately 100' from the Marlborough town line and presently a wooded site. 2 sections of wetlands are shown on the map. The proposed development of the site is an 11,960SF House of Worship, with 146 parking spaces, 85 of which will be paved and 61 graveled. The drainage system contains 5 rain gardens on the site and the basic design is the pavement will drain into the rain gardens and then overflow from the rain gardens into the storm systems which is located in the pavement area. The capability of the rain gardens and the drainage was discussed along with the vegetation that will be throughout.

Mr. Foran asked if there was anyone to speak from the public on this application. As there were none,

Mr. Foran moved to close the public portion of this hearing. Mr. Boule seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The agency discussed and agreed that bi-annual updates from a 3<sup>rd</sup> party monitor would be required while under construction.

Mr. Wilson moved to approve this application with the general permit conditions as the site has been developed in such a way that it minimizes the impact to wetlands and retains much of the water onsite using various low impact development measures. Other conditions: Site monitor has been specified. Motion was seconded by Mr. Foran. The motion passed unanimously.

## A. Application of the Town of East Hampton Park and Recreation Sears Park plan, M04A/B63/L20

Brian Long, CLA Engineers was before the agency to present the Park and Recreation Sears Park plan, which includes a re-development that is a reconfiguration of the existing parking set up and the activities. The direct wetland impacts have been called out in phases and they were discussed. The first phase is the performing arts gazebo, relocation of the boat ramp, a small area along the proposed beach volleyball court, and the final is the beach rejuvenation along the shoreline where the sand has been washed out. The discussion of the rain gardens and their locations took place. They are proposing to bring in new sand to the beach and this caused concern to the agency. There was discussion of different ways and options they could use to reclaim some of the sand that has been previous washed away.

Ruth Plummer, Park and Recreation Director stated after hearing the discussion of the loss of the beach/sand into the lake, they may not want to extend the beach as presented. Ms. Plummer suggested possibly keeping the Northerly side of the park where the boat launch is proposed to be, keeping as much green as possible can and not extending that beach to where the old boat launch currently is.

Mr. Foran asked if there was anyone to speak from the public on this application. Alan Chadwick, 5 Sears Lane, is located to the South of Sears Park and stated that the sand comes from the North to the South and has built up a couple feet in front of the dock and sees adding more sand a significant problem for the lake.

Ruth Plummer explained all the steps they have taken to slow down the storm water runoff and hopes the proposed plan is going to significantly alleviate the issue.

Mr. Foran asked that the Park and Recreation look into the expense to reclaim some of the sand that has been pulled into the lake.

Mr. Foran moved to close the public portion of this hearing. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wilson moved to approve this application on the basis that overall it will improve the accessibility and overall enjoyment to the lake as a benefit to the town and does not introduce any activity that will further degrade the lake. The conditions are of the standard permit with the following additional condition: The permit tee shall revise the plans to show A. No further encroachment into the lake with the proposed addition of sand, B. No encroachment into existing wetlands with the construction of the proposed volleyball court. Motion was seconded by Mr. Foran. The motion carried unanimously.

#### 11. Old Business:

- A. Fertilizer Ordinance- No change- removed from agenda until further notice.
- B. Updated the IWWA maps- No change- removed from agenda until further notice.

#### 11. New Business:

A. Election of Officers-

Mr. Kavalkovich moved to nominate Jeff Foran as the Chairman and Josh Wilson as the Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lorah. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boule moved to close the nominations to be closed and one vote is casted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kavalkovich. The motion carried unanimously

#### 12. Public Comments: None

#### 13. Adjournment:

Mr. Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Heidtmann seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:56PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kamey Peterson Recording Secretary